

20. A system for registering a home network portal, comprising:

means for evaluating a status of a wireless module port in a first host device in a home network including multiple host devices;

5 means for evaluating the status of the wireless module port again if the wireless module port status indicates a wireless module is not connected; and

means for broadcasting to other host devices in the home network that the first host device is a home network portal having a connected wireless module if the wireless module port status indicates a wireless module is connected.

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